IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE NASHVILLE DIVISION

JASON JOHNSON,)	
Petitioner,)	
v.)	Case No. 3:16-cv-0819
BRUCE WESTBROOKS, Warden,)	Judge Aleta A. Trauger
Respondent.)	

ORDER

For the reasons set forth in the accompanying Memorandum Opinion, petitioner Jason Johnson's petition for the writ of habeas corpus (ECF No. 1), is **DENIED**, and this matter is **DISMISSED**.

As also discussed in the Memorandum Opinion, the court finds that the issues raised in the § 2254 petition do not "deserve encouragement to proceed further." *Miller-El v. Cockrell*, 537 U.S. 322, 327 (2003). The court therefore **DENIES** a certificate of appealability ("COA"). The petitioner may, however, seek a COA directly from the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals. Fed. R. App. P. 22(b)(1).

It is so **ORDERED**.

This is a final order for purposes of Fed. R. Civ. P. 58.

ALETA A. TRAUGER 🅢

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE